

**PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Community Center  
1808 Main Street, Lake Stevens  
Wednesday, March 18, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 pm by Chair Tom Matlack

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Matlack, Chairman, Jennifer Davis, Vice Chair, Janice Huxford, Pamela Barnet, Mirza Avdic, Linda Hoult

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Petershagen

STAFF PRESENT: Lead Senior Planner Russ Wright and Clerk Jill Meis

OTHERS PRESENT: None

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**Excused Absence:** Commissioner Hoult made a motion to excuse Commissioner Petershagen, Commissioner Huxford 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried 6-0-0-1.

**Guest business:** None.

**Special Presentation:** None.

**Action Items:**

1. *Approve February 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes.* Commissioner Barnett made a motion to approve February 18, 2015 minutes, Commissioner Avdic 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

**Discussion Items:** *Comp Plan Update (Revised schedule, Land Use and Environment)*

Staff provided an updated schedule for the completion of the Comprehensive Plan Update. Staff anticipates a two-month increase to the original schedule. Commissioner Hoult asked if the schedule would bring any penalties, Staff confirmed that it does not anticipate any penalties with the new schedule.

Staff provided a brief overview of the revisions to the Environment chapter of the Comprehensive Plan including the addition of climate change and sustainability elements. Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Barnett asked to clarify the definition of "best available science" and "tree replacement" in the element. Commissioner Barnett recommended staff add a goal related to discouraging the use of potentially harmful landscape chemicals around the lake.

Staff gave a PowerPoint presentation describing the Buildable Lands Strategy and 2012 Buildable Lands Report used in the Land Use element of the Comprehensive Plan Update. Staff provided a brief overview of current development trends observed since the publication of the Buildable Lands Report.

**Commissioner Reports:** None

Commissioner Huxford reported on the progress of the Aquafest festival planning.

**Planning Director Report:** None

**Adjourn:** Motion by Commissioner Hoult, Commissioner Avdic 2<sup>nd</sup>, meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

  
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Tom Matlack, Chair

  
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Jill Meis, Clerk, Planning &  
Community Development